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2 March 1953:

Berlin, from 23 February through

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1. Coal stocks and consumption of coal for operational use (in metric tons):

	Date in	Hard Coal	Raw Brown Coal	Brown Coal Briquettes	Coke	Brown Coal Dust
Total	23	54,067	18,200	52,641	1,574	493
Stocks	24	53,821	18,333	53,529	1,550	552
	25	53,596	18,649	55,023	1,545	522
	26	53,444	18,399	54,640	1,551	519
	27	53,346	17,853	54,265	1,526	625
	28	53,984	17,423	53,510	1,462	570
March						
	1	54,222	17,242	52,341	1,458	645
	2	55,442	17,290	54,828	1,451	490
February						
Daily	23	4,418	1,602	16,929	55	234
Consump-		(4,268)	(41)	(14,836)	(-)	(234)
tion	24	4,394	1,582	16,897	42	203
		(4,170)	(62)	(14,803)	(-)	(203)
	25	4,234	1,630	16,374	38	258
		(4,100)	(110)	(14,192)	(-)	(258)
	26	3,822	1,525	17,387	57	289
		(3,715)	(24)	(14,842)	(-)	(289)
	27	3,882	1,584	16,962	33	119
		(3,749)	(43)	(14,726)	(-)	(119)
	28	4,905	1,547	16,971	65	228
		(4,756)	(53)	(14,394)	(-)	(228)
March						
	1	3,683	701	14,347	4	239
		(3,664)	(30)	(13,957)	(-)	(239)
	2	4,264	1,209	15,666	18	338
		(4,143)	(53)	(14,236)	(-)	(338)

Note. The figures in parentheses refer to the coal consumed by locomotives.

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## 2. Backlog of loaded cars:

Date in February	Poland and U.S.S.R.	Baltic Sea Ports	Interzonal Traffic		Total
23	217	93	241	46	597
24	211	34	270	29	544
25	406	63	844	29	1,342
26	193	54	1,434	31	1,712
27	126	26	2,533	22	2,707
28	196	30	2,996	55	3,277
March 1	203	27	923	59	1,212
2	131	32	1,121	51	1,335

## 3. Park of damaged cars:

23 February	21,290 cars
24 "	21,069 "
25 "	20,640 "
26 "	20,136 "
27 "	19,582 "
28 "	19,446 "
1 March	20,258 "
2 "	19,973 "

## 4. Park of operational cars:

23 February	95,379 cars
24 "	97,837 "
25 "	98,457 "
26 "	99,040 "
27 "	99,560 "
28 "	100,295 "
1 March	98,915 "
2 "	99,402 "

5. On 27 February, eight cars of a shunting freight train were derailed at the Bitterfeld railroad station. Two of the cars were turned over. The accident was caused by worn switch ties, which had long been slated for replacement. The damage done was estimated at 1,800 eastmarks.

Comment. As compared with the last reported status of 22 February, coal stocks increased by 7,800 tons, including about 2,000 tons of hard coal, to a total of 129,500 tons. According to the present daily coal consumption quota for locomotives and repair shops of 20,900 tons, fixed on 2 March 1953, total coal stocks represented 6.2 days' requirements.

The backlog of loaded cars increased 200 to 400 percent as a result of operational difficulties. The number of damaged cars remained about constant, while the number of operational cars was increasing and reached the prescribed target of 100,000 units on 26 February.

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